

## CHANGED DRUNKEN REEL ON A ROOF'S EDGE.

Heedless of Warning, Jeering the Crowd, Irish Staggered About.

Little Children Clapped Their Hands in Glee at the Antics of the Funny Man.

When Seized by Policeman Gorman He Fought, and Both Came Near Falling Off.

OVERPOWERED AT LAST AND TAKEN AWAY.

Magistrate Kudlich Let the Man Off with a \$5 Fine—He Was Only Celebrating His Release from Elmira Reformatory.

The Sabbath quiet in West Thirty-second street didn't at all suit the rollicking spirit of Patrick Irish, as he gazed down upon it from the roof of a five-story tenement house yesterday morning. Irish felt hilarious, and the rum within him made him feel like "whooping things up."

St. Michael's Church stood just across the way. Just then the big front doors opened and the worshippers began pouring out.

"Whoop-e-e-e!" yelled Pat. A few looked around to see whence that yell came, but nobody looked toward the roof of the tenement. Pat was disappointed and determined to stir things up a bit.

"Hi, there!" he yelled, staggering dangerously near the edge. "Cho-o-se yer pa-a-raders for the next jig!" and then he began a hurra, or, more literally, a reel. He was "hoeling it down" to the best of his drunken ability, all the time in peril of toppling over.

"Get back! Get back!" cried some of the men in the street, expecting to see him trip any minute.

"Allamand left," was Pat's cheerful reply, tickled over the attention he was drawing, and dancing all the harder.

A crowd of more than a thousand collected. Little children, not knowing the danger, clapped their hands in glee at the funny man's antics. Women turned their faces away, while with terror, Policeman Gorman rushed over to the tenement house, up the stairs and out on the roof.

Pat had fired by this time, and was sitting down on the edge of the roof, puffing hard and letting his feet hang over. Gorman approached quietly, seized Irish by the collar and stood on his feet with a jerk. "G-way!" cried Pat, and then he grappled Gorman for a fight. He was powerful, and the two struggled for some minutes. Gorman tried to pull his club, but his arms were pinned. He tripped Pat, and down they went. In an instant he had the drunken man by the throat and in fifteen minutes more at the West Thirty-seventh Street Station.

Irish said he was twenty-two years old, but refused to tell where he lived. He pleaded for mercy before Magistrate Kudlich, in the Jefferson Market Police Court, saying he was the only support of his blind and aged mother. He was fined \$5.

It was found, on further examination, that Irish had a five-year sentence at the Elmira Reformatory on Tuesday and went on a spree to celebrate.

## OSCAR'S VOICE FOR WAR.

Hammerstein's Son Not Guilty of Conspiracy—Speculators' Licenses to Be Fought.

Arthur Hammerstein, son of Oscar Hammerstein, proprietor of Olympia, was before Magistrate Westworth in the Yorkville Police Court yesterday, charged with conspiring to induce business. He was discharged, but the complainant was advised to prepare a new complaint to-day.

Richard F. Murray, a ticket speculator, who caused the arrest, on Saturday night, said that young Hammerstein had warned persons coming into the playhouse that tickets bought on the sidewalk would be refused at the door.

Mr. Murray stated that the business in which he was engaged was old and legitimate, and that he paid for the privilege of transacting it a license. He said that because of Hammerstein's conduct he had been obliged to sell tickets for half what they had cost him. Mr. Hammerstein, he said, sold tickets at a discount to hotel and theatre ticket offices, which paid no license at all.

Oscar Hammerstein denied this. "The speculators crowd the entrance to the playhouse," he shouted. "They have no right to interfere with my business. I don't care if they are licensed or not. But we are licensed to sell tickets at your door," exclaimed Murray.

"I don't care if they are licensed or not," exclaimed Hammerstein. "The Board of Aldermen might as well license you to sell shoe laces on my sidewalk. I will make of this a test case."

Magistrate Westworth suggested that the ticket speculators, when they became obnoxious, might be arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct, but Hammerstein exclaimed:

"Policemen will not arrest them! They show their license and then the policemen will not touch them."

## WILD DUCKS IN CENTRAL PARK.

Five Little Ones Came Out of Their Shells Yesterday Morning.

Five wild ducks came into existence yesterday morning at Central Park in a nest on the edge of the pond near Fifty-ninth street. They are pretty little things, and within a few hours of emerging from their shells made themselves at home in the water, although their parents watched them with a good deal of solicitude. Food is thrown in by the keepers, and the mother breaks it into small pieces and gives it to her little ones.

It is rarely that wild ducks nest away from the season, or in the vicinity of town. Several weeks ago a nest with three little ones was discovered at the edge of the reservoir opposite Eighty-first street.

## THE LOST BABY BOY CLAIMED.

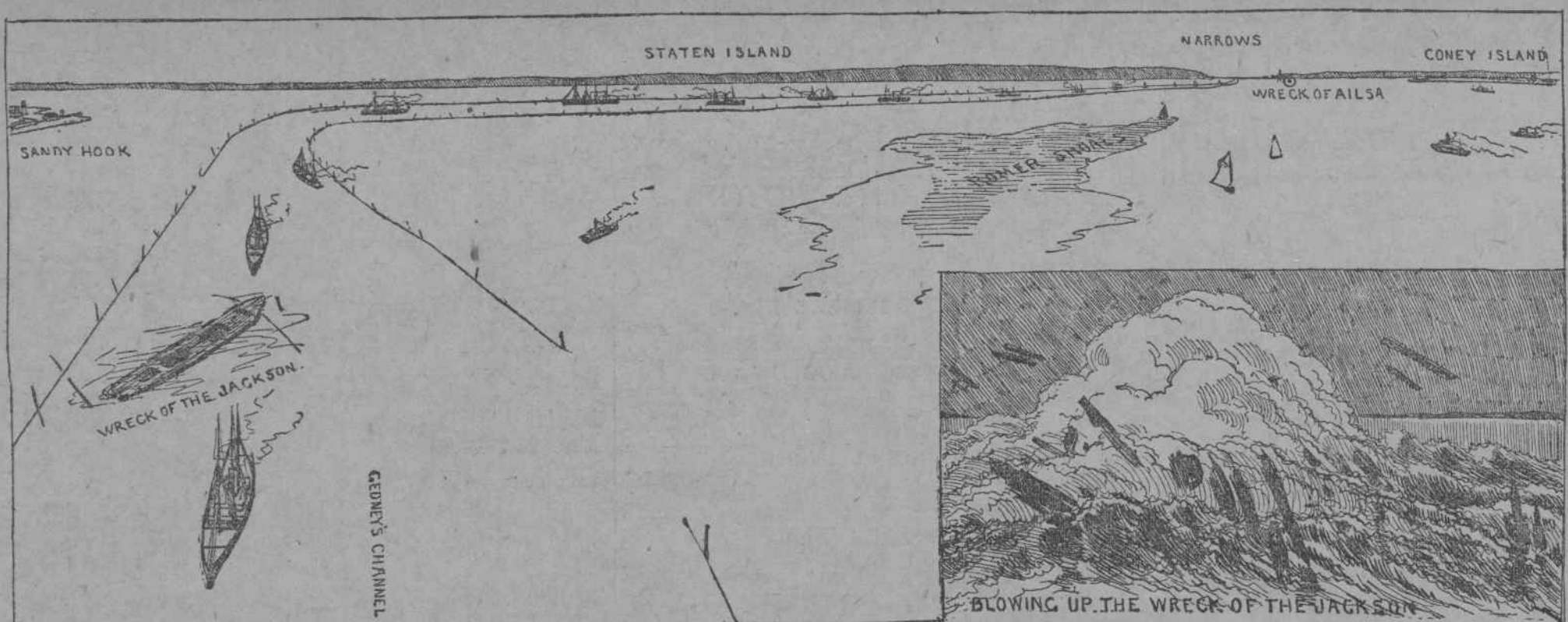
Little Charley Gaynor Toddled Away by Himself to the "L" Station.

The four-year-old boy who was found playing alone in the waiting room of the Sixth Avenue "L" at Twenty-third street, on Saturday morning, was claimed by his father at Police Headquarters, twelve hours later.

He was Charley Gaynor, and his father, Thomas Gaynor, who lives at No. 404 East Twenty-fourth street, said that his son had run away from home and toddled alone to the "L" station.

Just before he went away his mother had dressed him to take him to a store to get shoes for him. He was left at the foot of the stairway while Mrs. Gaynor went after a baby carriage.

Chinaman Captures a Negro. On Wah, a Chinese laundryman, of No. 124 Second avenue, was robbed yesterday morning of \$10 by Isaac Thompson, a colored waiter. Mr. Wah chased him out into Second avenue and finally captured him. He carried a hot iron with him and struck Thompson on the wrist, badly burning him. Thompson was taken to Essex Market and there held in \$1,500 for trial.



## GEDNEY'S CHANNEL, SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE SUNKEN ANDREW JACKSON.

Gedney's Channel is a wide, deep passage, cut to a mean depth of thirty feet through the shoals at the entrance to New York Harbor. It connects with the South, the Swash and the Main Ship channels, and from the point of intersection it extends a short distance almost due east from Staten Island (as shown in the chart). Then it turns an obtuse angle, bearing slightly to the southward, and runs a little south of east until it crosses the bar and ends in the ocean depths.

It was in the obtuse angle of the Gedney, two and one-half miles northeast of Sandy Hook Point, that the barge Andrew Jackson had a piece sliced from her stern on May 22 last by the outward bound steamer Vedra. The barge, which registered 1,054 tons, went to the bottom with 1,500 tons of coal in her hold. The deck of the barge was blown off with dynamite last Monday, but the hull, which was nearly 200 feet long and 38 feet beam, still clung together, filled with coal. It was upon this great mass of shattered timbers and coal that the Umbria pushed her vast bulk Saturday morning.

One of the most disgruntled men Saturday was a foreman of R. G. Packard, the contractor who had engaged to recover the coal in the Andrew Jackson. The foreman went down on the tug Bee, with a derrick lighter in tow, but, to his great rage, he found the Umbria on top of the barge, without the least symptom of moving.

"Your old ship is in my way," said the angry foreman, "and my firm is losing money every minute you're here." He was brushed out of the way by the Umbria's busy officers, and went back to the Bee, where he sat on the companion way all day, with his chin in his hands, sorrowfully regarding the big Cunarder.

## STILL DEAD MAN'S CURVE.

Nothing Has Been Done to Lessen the Speed at the Fourteenth Street Bend.

Notwithstanding the protests of the people and its constant menace to life, "Dead Man's Curve," on the Broadway Cable road, is still as dangerous as ever. It was more so yesterday when the rails, wet and slippery, afforded less resistance to the car wheels, while the speed of the cable was the same as usual. Narrow escapes were as numerous as on week days, of course, and the guards had their hands full in preventing people from being dashed to death. There are more protests from indignant citizens.

To the Editor of the Journal: I have often noticed the dangerous "Dead Man's Curve," Broadway and Fourteenth street, which requires six men to guard, in order to prevent accidents. There is no doubt that it is extraordinarily dangerous, and to make it the same as any other street crossing, as far as safety is concerned, the cable cars should not be allowed to pass by each other except within 100 feet of the crossing. There would be only one car at any time passing by the crossing. They now try to pass each other often over the sidewalk crossing, and as the people wait for one car to pass they rush over to meet the other. Yours truly, M. D.

To the Editor of the Journal: Keep up your good work against the Metropolitan Traction Company in regard to speed and other abuses in the handling and care of passengers.

I was a conductor on one of the lines of the Traction Company. The president of the company is not to blame. Indeed the superintendents and then the employees will be more careful in doing their duty.

Superintendent Delaney is out at all hours of the night, and has the drivers and conductors frightened in regard to strict time-keeping. He says every block of the road is a time-point, so the gripman and conductors do not care to lose time. He runs on time, even if it should kill the whole community.

To the Editor of the Journal: Apropos of the death curve question, I have read that the company cannot use the appliance at Fourteenth street, which is in use at Twenty-third street, on account of the double curve at Fourteenth street. It has occurred to me that the simplest solution is, for Broadway cars going downtown to run down University place to Thirteenth street, then to Broadway, and uptown cars to turn into Twelfth street to University place.

Another question for the Journal to fight is the crossing by the Fourteenth street horse cars of the cable track at Broadway and Fourteenth street. The horse cars go only a few feet east. Why should these cars be made to end their trips just west of Broadway. Yours sincerely, 46 Cedar st. DAVID P. STEELE.

## LITTLE ABE'S TEARFUL PLEA.

Will Have to Exercise It on Gerry Society Agents in Future.

Little Abe Schlesinger's tearful tale of woe will lure no more pennies and nickels from the pockets of sympathetic pedestrians passing through City Hall Park nights. Abe, who is twelve, Russian and very bright, says he lives at No. 238 Delancey street. His habit has been to approach people in the Park, sobbing as if his heart would break, and swabbing real tears from his eyes with a grimy little fist.

"I've been robbed of the money I sold me papers for, and I darsent go home. I'll be beat if I do."

That was the usual explanation of the little urchin's simulated grief, and it was generally efficacious. In the Centre Street Police Court yesterday Abe was turned over to the custody of Agents Murray and Kling, of the Gerry Society.

## HE'S A BLANK CARTRIDGE FIEND

Hunter Wondered Whether They Would Hurt and Shot His Friend.

John Hunter, of No. 512 East Fourteenth street, is a degree worse than the members of that class who plead that they "didn't know it was loaded." He thrust two cartridges into an old revolver yesterday and deliberately made a target of Bernhard Whalen, of No. 500 East Fourteenth street. The cartridges were blank ones, it is true, but the wadding penetrated Whalen's back and he is now in Bellevue Hospital in a serious condition.

When Whalen was taken to the hospital he said that his friend told the shooting in a spirit of fun and had no thought of shooting him. He only wanted to see if the gun would hurt. Whalen said in explanation of his friend's act, Hunter was subsequently arrested and locked up in the Fifth Street Station House.

## POLICE PUZZLED BY THE SAFE ROBBERY.

Belief That It Was Done by an Employee of the Hamburg-American Packet Co.

Amount Secured by the Thief from the Strong Box Now Admitted by the Officers to Be \$5,000.

## SAFE OPENED BY A DUPLICATE KEY.

Both the Police and the Company's Officers Are Reticent and Refuse to Say Whether Any One Is Under Surveillance.

The peculiar robbery of the Hamburg-American Packet Company's safe at Hoboken Saturday is causing the police of Hoboken and the line officers no end of anxiety. They are at a loss to account for it. The robbery, instead of being \$3,500, as at first reported, is now said to amount to \$5,000.

The circumstances surrounding the theft are such that both the police and the officers of the company agree that it was either the work of an employee, holding a place which gave him access to the office, or of a clever sneak thief who must have planned the robbery for months.

Mr. Peters, the bookkeeper and timekeeper of the company, as is his custom every Saturday, drew out from the bank \$8,500 before noon. This money was placed in a satchel and taken to the office of the company on the second floor of the centre pier of the company's dock. Five thousand dollars of the amount was in bills—\$8,000 in ten-dollar bills, \$1,000 in five-dollar bills, and \$1,000 in one-dollar bills. The balance was in silver. The satchel containing the money was placed in the safe. The key of the old-fashioned strong box was returned to the place where it was kept.

Mr. Peters, Superintendent Badenhausen and Mr. Keller went out to lunch at noon. As near as can be learned this left no one in the upper floor of the office. Just where the key was placed the police refuse to say. At 3 o'clock Mr. Keller decided to make up the pay roll, and the safe was unlocked. When the satchel was opened the \$5,000 in bills was found to be missing. The police were at once notified and an investigation commenced.

The safe, with the exception of the hour in which Mr. Keller, Mr. Peters and Mr. Badenhausen had been out to lunch, was under the eye of the three men. Its position in the office was alongside Mr. Badenhausen's desk, so that the robbery must have been committed during his absence.

The safe door was open either with the original key or a duplicate. The police refuse to say whether they have discovered anything to settle this point, or whether they have discovered anything at all. At the office of the company the strictest silence is maintained. All inquiries in regard to the robbery are referred to Acting Chief of Police Hayes.

When the latter was asked what he had learned in regard to the robbery, and whether any one had been suspected or not, he refused to answer questions, saying: "At present I can only say that we have men working on the case."

"Is any one under surveillance?" he was asked.

"That question I cannot answer," was the reply.

The general impression about the dock is that the robbery was committed by some one familiar with the habits of the men in the office, and some one who had the run of the upper floor, on which the safe was located. It is believed that an employee had a duplicate key made some time ago, and waited his opportunity while the office force was absent, to steal the pay roll.

The safe was an old one, of the make known as Wilder. It was opened by a key similar to those used in Yale locks, and not much larger.

## HIS DREAM PROVED TRUE.

Captain Sharpe Saw the Stranding of the Umbria Several Nights Before.

Captain Sharpe, of the William E. Chapman Towing and Wrecking Company, had a dream last Wednesday night that proved true.

The Captain, who is in command of the tug Arnot, saw in his dream the Cunard steamship Umbria leaving this port. In Gedney's Channel the vessel struck the wreck of the coal barge Andrew Jackson and became fast. She was floated off at high water, with the aid of his company's tugs.

More remarkable was the matter of time. The Captain dreamed that news of the accident was received at Sandy Hook by agents of the company at 11:35, just thirty minutes after the vessel struck the wreck, and that at 1:30 the big wrecking tug William E. Chapman was alongside the liner and ready to do service in setting her free. This, too, was verified in every detail to the moment.

The Captain is not superstitious, but he told the story last Saturday on the deck of the stranded steamer with evident satisfaction.

Drank Water and Fell to the Floor. Martin McIntyre, a bricklayer, who said that he lived at No. 105 Montgomery street, Jersey City, was among the visitors to Coney Island yesterday, continuing a week's spree. When he started out to see the sights he was in a hilarious condition. He wandered into the building over the beach and became fast. He was floated off at high water, with the aid of his company's tugs.

He drank a glass of water, and fell face downward on the ground. Dr. Ward was summoned and found that the man was suffering from delirium tremens. After he had been treated McIntyre was able to return to his home.

The money was drawn from the bank and placed in the strong box by an officer of the Hamburg-American Packet Company. During the absence of the officer the safe was opened with a duplicate key and the package of money abstracted. It is supposed that the theft was the work of an employee of the company who had in some way obtained a duplicate of the key to the safe.

## SOCIALISTS GATHER FOR A CONVENTION.

Another National Organization One Object of Their Meeting.

Work to Begin in the Labor Lyceum This Morning and to Last for Four Days.

## FIVE OF THE DELEGATES ARE WOMEN.

A Banquet to Be Given on Wednesday and a Public Mass Meeting for Friday. Music Trouble Settled for Three Days at Least.

The Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance, which sprang about a year ago from the Central Labor Federation, will begin its first annual convention to-day in the Labor Lyceum, No. 64 East Fourth street.

The convention will put another national organization in the field, as it will form the nucleus of the Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance of the United States and Canada. When formed it will be the natural rival of the American Federation of Labor, which the Socialists have fought tooth and nail for years.

The Labor Lyceum is the chosen home of Socialism in New York. It was resplendent with flags yesterday, including the Stars and Stripes, though red flags were in the majority.

Delegates from nearby cities began to arrive early yesterday. Those from the distant cities are expected this forenoon. Among the outside cities which will be represented are Jersey City, Yonkers, Buffalo, Troy, Syracuse, Paterson, Newark, Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Lawrence, Mass.; Milwaukee and Montreal. Most of the delegates will come from New York State and surrounding cities, and five of them will be women.

Among the latter Miss Kate Serber and Miss Kate Silberberg will represent the Infant Cloakmakers and Hoboken Hatters' Unions in New York, and Miss Kate Pryor will represent the women's branch of the New York sheet workers. There will be about 100 delegates in all, representing 50 trades.

The convention will open at 11 o'clock to-day. Ernest Bohm, secretary of District Assembly No. 1, of the Socialist Trade and Labor Alliance, will call it to order, and William L. Brower, secretary of the Socialist faction of District Assembly No. 43, will be temporary chairman.

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The question of music for the convention caused a bit of a stir. There are three Socialist musical organizations in New York, and each threatened to make trouble if any other was engaged. The trouble was arranged by providing that one band should furnish the music to-day, one on Tuesday and the other on Wednesday. After that new arrangements will be made.

The principal object of the convention will be the furtherance of the new trade unionism, which means that each trades unionist must be a Socialist. A strong effort will be made to have the headquarters of the new national union in New York.

## FIRE UNDERWRITERS PROTEST.

They Oppose the Removal of the Reservoir in Forty-second Street.

The New York Board of Fire Underwriters has filed with the Committee on County Affairs of the Board of Aldermen a paper in opposition to the proposed removal of the Forty-second street reservoir. They declare the removal would endanger lives and property in the whole city below Forty-second street.

The reservoir contains nightly a reserve supply of some 20,000,000 gallons, which is fed out to the amount of from 4,000,000 to 6,000,000 gallons every day to supplement the mains from Central Park, which without this reserve cannot carry enough water to supply the lower part of the island.

The Board also says that water in houses at Twelfth street rises thirty-one feet higher than it would if the reservoir were removed, and it would be inviting a conflagration to remove it.

The protest contains a petition from many prominent merchants and the opinions of experts and the heads of the Fire Department, all of whom condemn the proposition.

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## MANY BIKES ON THE "L."

Experiment Has Been So Successful in Brooklyn That Special Cars Will Be Constructed for the Service.

It was a bad day for wheels and wheelmen yesterday, still the elevated railroads in Brooklyn did a lively business in transporting both of them. On the Brooklyn line the system of carrying wheels was in operation for the first Sunday in the history of the road, the smoking cars being used for this purpose, as on the Kings County road. Owing to the inclement weather, the fact that the new plan only went into force yesterday, and that bicycles were received only on the Broadway division of the road that extends from South Seventh street to the East River, the business was comparatively light. About one hundred riders, mostly from this division, however, availed themselves of the train in returning to their homes.

The Kings County trains carried almost the usual number of wheels, twenty-five hundred, according to the estimate of Superintendent Brookes. It pays to carry them at the extra charge of ten cents, and it will not be long before cars specially fitted for wheels will be built and put on the line. Several designs for such of these are in consideration by the officials of the company.

"We formally opened the Broadway branch of our road on bicycles yesterday," said Superintendent Edwards last night. "I don't suppose that more than fifty special bicycle tickets were sold, but we expect and are preparing for a big rush of business in that line this summer, and are making our plans accordingly."

Trainsmen on both roads say that little delay is experienced because bicycles are carried, and officials declare that train schedules are not disturbed. Wheelmen argue if the idea works so well in Brooklyn, why cannot it be introduced on the New York Elevated roads?

Flourished a Big Knife. O'Neil Frightened Little Girls and Fought a Policeman.

David O'Neil, a laborer, twenty-four years old, of No. 340 East Fifty-fourth street, went into the hallway of No. 313 East Seventy-fifth street yesterday, and, flourishing a 30-inch knife, tried to seize twelve-year-old Mary Cantor, who was screaming and ran up the stairs, with a playmate, and he followed, lunging at her. When Mrs. Cantor appeared and threatened to call the police, O'Neil fled. He was seen to enter a room and slammed the door.

The house was in a turmoil, and O'Neil, who seemed to be half drunk, ran out into the street. Policeman Wiener pursued him. He fiercely resisted arrest, and attempted to draw a knife on the policeman, but Wiener fought him into submission, disarmed him and took him to the station.

## AN IRISH RACE CONVENTION.

Call Issued to American Home Rulers to Elect Delegates to the Dublin Meeting.

A call has been sent out by Dr. Thomas A. Emmet, president; John D. Crimmins, treasurer; and Joseph P. Ryan, secretary, of the Irish National Federation in America, for an election of delegates for an Irish race convention. It is to be held in Dublin, September 1, the object being to re-constitute the United Home Rule party, and satisfy the yearning of the Irish race all over the world for a thorough reunion of the political forces of Ireland.

Each branch of the Irish National Federation is entitled to elect one delegate.

## COMING EVENTS.

The sixteenth annual games and picnic of the Printers' Benevolent Association will be held at the Twentieth Ward, for their fourth annual election, on July 11. The closing exercises of the male department of Grammar School No. 20, will be held at the school, No. 100 Chrystie street, at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Preparations are being made by the members of the Property Owners' Association of the Twentieth Ward, for their fourth annual excursion on July 23. The boats will leave the foot of East One Hundred and Twenty-ninth street at 6 o'clock for Laurelton Grove, on Long Island Sound.

A mass meeting of the Robert J. Wright Republican Association is scheduled to be held at the clubhouse, No. 2399 Second avenue, on July 15. It will include an indoor and outdoor meeting. H. H. Brown, president of the club, will preside on the inside and John Kerr on the outside. Among the speakers who will be on the platform are John Murray Mitchell, Mayor Strong, Aldermen Goodman and Wines, Commissioners Collins and Ford, Assemblymen Andrews, Philip R. Low and W. H. Spencer.

A large number of invitations have been issued by Edward A. Page, principal of Grammar School No. 60, at No. 400 East Eighty-sixth street, for the graduates' reunion to be held at the school to-morrow afternoon.

Arrangements are being made by the Executive Committee of the Republican Club of the Thirtieth Assembly District, for a "smoker," to be held at the clubhouse, No. 1022 First avenue, next Friday evening. There will be speeches by prominent Republicans.

Owing to the unfavorable weather last Friday, the officers of the E. J. Seymour Athlete Association postponed the first annual outing of the association, and have selected July 15 for the affair, when the members will enjoy the day at Ketchikan, on the Hudson.

## NEW IDEAS FOR CH